

Listing and Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Previously Presented) Home system having a plurality of devices connected to one another via a home bus interface, in particular an IEEE 1394 bus interface, wherein one of the devices contains a control unit which, when operated appropriately by a user, polls system data for other devices in this system via the home bus interface, wherein said system data comprises characteristic data for a device, in particular a serial number, the manufacturer's mark, the device class, output/input characteristics, the software version or any error data and passes this system data to an output unit of the one device, the output unit being a device for writing to a mobile, digital data medium which can store the system data.
2. (Previously Presented) Home system according to Claim 1, wherein the mobile data medium is one of a smart card and a chip card having a memory, and in that, when operated appropriately by a user, the control unit in the one device stores system data for the connected other devices on one of the smart card and the chip card using the device.
3. (Previously Presented) Home system according to Claim 1, wherein the one device having the device for writing to the data medium is one of a set-top box and a digital satellite receiver having a write/read device for one of a chip card and a smart card.
4. (Previously Presented) Home system according to Claim 1, wherein the one device having the device for writing to the data medium is a minicomputer having a drive for one of a floppy disk and another data medium having one of a magnetic and optical storage medium.

5. (Previously Presented) Device for the home system according to Claim 8, wherein the one device contains a control unit which, when operated appropriately by a user, polls system data for the connected other devices via an interface wherein the one device includes a device for writing to a mobile, digital data medium and wherein the device stores this system data on the data medium using the device.
6. (Previously Presented) Device for the home system according to Claim 1, wherein the one device contains a control unit which, when operated appropriately by a user, or when an appropriate remote polling code is received, polls system data for the connected other devices via an interface wherein the one device includes a modem or another telecommunication connection which can send the polled system data to a desired address.
7. (Previously Presented) Device according to Claim 6, wherein user operation corresponds to remote control in the context of a remote polling code transmitted via communication line or by radio.
8. (Previously Presented) Home system having a plurality of devices connected to one another via a home bus interface, in particular an IEEE 1394 bus interface, wherein one of the devices contains a control unit which, when operated appropriately by a user, polls system data for other devices in this system via the home bus interface, wherein said system data comprises characteristic data for a device, in particular a serial number, the manufacturer's mark, the device class, output/input characteristics, the software version or any error data and passes this system data to an output unit of the one device, the output unit being one of a modem and another telecommunication connection which, when operated appropriately by a user, can send the system data to a desired address.